The Council serves as an advisory body to the State Board of Agriculture in implementing the Maryland Poultry Inspection Act as well as in effecting cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and local health authorities (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 43, secs. 197-1 to 197-26).

Transportation

FRIENDSHIP INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Chairman: M. William Adelson, 1974

Harry R. Hughes, Secretary of Transportation; F. Pierce Lina-weaver, Director of Public Works of Baltimore City. Appointed by the Governor: Ernest N. Cory, Jr., 1972; Roy E. Julie, Jr., 1974.

Appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City: John B. Miller, 1973; Theodore W. Robinson, 1975.

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The Friendship International Airport Authority, created by Chapter 529, Acts of 1970, succeeded the previous Maryland Airport Authority established by Chapter 441, Acts of 1968. In enacting the legislation establishing the Authority, the General Assembly declared that Friendship International Airport which is owned and operated by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore is rendering a service to the entire State. Residents from many parts of the State benefit directly from the commerce which the Friendship International Airport attracts and services. Any improvement to this airport which increases its air passenger and air freight traffic, both domestic and foreign, will benefit the people of the entire State of Maryland. At the present time anticipated conditions under which the airport must operate because of the advance to be made in air transportation in the immediate future require a substantial financial investment to enable the airport to continue to grow along with the expansion of air traffic. The purpose of the General Assembly in enacting this article is to recognize the importance of Friendship International Airport to the State of Maryland as well as to the City of Baltimore. Increased air carrier service may be attracted to this area by developing new facilities and improving existing facilities to provide better and more effective handling of air passengers and air freight and also by effectively advertising and promoting the facility and the use of the airport.

The development of the airport as stated by the General Assembly to make it able to attract and increase the volume of air carrier traffic will require the construction of additional modern facilities and installations as well as the rehabilitation of existing facilities. An authority which could raise funds from the sale of revenue bonds will be able to construct, rehabilitate, and operate such facilities and installations. The development of Friendship International Airport could best be achieved by the combined efforts of the State of Maryland and the City of Baltimore in an Authority, in which both participate. The best interests of the City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland include the need for effecting sound economies wherever possible, promoting efficient inter-connected air, sea and land transportation, utilizing available financial resources to accomplish necessary projects, and planning effectively for future growth in air trans-

portation.